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COMPOUNDS THAT TARGET tRNA SPLICING ENDONUCLEASE AND USES OF SAID COMPOUNDS AS ANTI-PROLIFERATIVE AGENTS

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.115

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.115, please consider the amendments and remarks below and enter them into the record for the above-identified application. Applicant submits herewith an Amendment Fee Transmittal with a provision authorizing payment of the required fee.

It is estimated that no additional fees are required for filing this Amendment. If the Patent Office disagrees, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any required fees to Jones Day deposit account number 50-3013.

Amendments to the Specification begin at page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 7 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 15 of this paper.

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